

WASHINGTON, DC & FRESNO, CA - Today, Congressman Jim Costa (D-Fresno) announced that two new employees will be joining his staff. Chris Rosander will serve as Costa's new District Director in Fresno, CA, and Bret Rumbeck will work in Washington, DC as a legislative and press assistant.

"Both Chris and Bret bring deep Valley roots to my staff, and I am excited to have them on board," said Costa.

Rosander was born and raised in Fresno, CA and is a 1975 graduate of Edison High School. He served as an aircraft mechanic in the Fresno Air National Guard, and received a degree in mechanical engineering from Fresno State. Following graduation, Rosander worked with McDonnell Douglas as a rocket scientist. Rosander previously worked in Washington, DC as a legislative assistant to former Congressman Norm Mineta (D-San Jose), and as a budget examiner with the White House Office of Management and Budget. He and his daughter Caterina currently reside in Fresno.

Rumbeck is a native of Turlock, CA, and graduated from Turlock High School in 1998. He attended California Lutheran University, and graduated in 2002 with a degree in history. Previously, Rumbeck worked in Merced, CA for Congressman Dennis Cardoza (D-Atwater) as a field representative, and recently worked for three years in Washington, DC for Senator Chuck Schumer (D-New York) as a legislative aide on defense, foreign affairs, and agriculture issues. He also served as an intern for Senator Dianne Feinstein, and State Senator Jack O'Connell.